



## NEIGHBOURHOOD DESCRIPTION

Holyrood is bounded on four sides by major roadways which clearly define the neighbourhood and allow residents good access to other parts of the city. It was mostly developed during the 1950s and has many of the design features typical of this era. Its tree lined interior streets are arranged in a modified grid pattern and incorporate several landscaped street islands. Most streets carry only local traffic, the exception being 95 Avenue and 79 Street which serve as collector roads. A school and community league hall are located in the centre of the neighbourhood.

The dominant structure type is the single-detached house. Multi-family structures and apartments are situated adjacent to bus routes. A small commercial plaza is located in the southeast corner of Holyrood. Bonnie Doon Mall, a regional shopping centre, is just southwest of the neighbourhood.

The Holyrood neighbourhood has had four names since its inception in the early 1900s. The neighbourhood was called both Mount Pleasant and East Edmonton Gardens in 1912. Two decades later the area was called Balmoral, and in 1953, because of the duplication of subdivision names, the area was re-named Holyrood. Holyrood likely takes its name from Holyrood Abbey in Edinburgh, Scotland.